

Docket No.: 071971-0132

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**  
**EXPEDITE PROCEDURE**

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| In re Application of  | : | Customer Number: 53080        |
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| Toshihiko FUKUOKA, et al.   | : | Confirmation Number: 1073     |
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| Application No.: 10/523,720   | : | Group Art Unit: 2435          |
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| Filed: February 07, 2005  | : | Examiner: SCHWARTZ, Darren B. |
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| For: ENCRYPTING/DECRYPTING DEVICE AND METHOD, ENCRYPTING DEVICE<br>AND METHOD, DECRYPTING DEVICE AND METHOD, AND<br>TRANSMITTING/RECEIVING DEVICE |   |                               |

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2008, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 17, 2009 (Saturday, Holiday), reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.